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AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

In the Specification:

* Please amend Paragraphs 0028, 0029, 0031 and 0032 of the Specification as follows:

[0028] Figure 1A and Figure 2A each schematically show a_cross section through a door opener, while Figures 1B and 2B each schematically show a cross section through a door opener with the intumescent material in an expanded state.

[0029] As shown in Figure 1A, a door opener in a housing 10 has a pivot latch 11, a changeover switch 12, and an armature 13, implemented as a changeover lock, having a coil 14 of an electromagnet. The armature 13 is implemented as a pivot lever on a joint 15 and is pretensioned using an armature spring 20 in such a way that it is held in its locking position, which is shown in the figure. When current is applied to the coil 14, the armature 13 is pulled into its unlocking position against the spring action, so that the changeover switch 12 releases the pivot latch 11.

[0031] In case of fire, when the expansion temperature has been reached and the intumescent material expands, it-the expanded intumescent material 18 presses against the armature 13 and holds it in its locking position independently of the action of the armature spring 20, as depicted in Figure 1B. The pivot latch 11 therefore remains locked, even if the armature spring 20 burns out. The armature is more or less "frozen" in the locking position. This is true even if the door opener is installed rotated by 180° and the armature spring 20 presses the armature 13 into the locking position against its own weight.

[0032] In the exemplary embodiment of a further door opener shown in Figure 2A, identical parts as in Figure 1A are provided with identical reference numbers. In addition, additional arrangements 17 of intumescent material are provided in further free spaces inside the housing 10, particularly in the area of the movable parts, such as pivot latch 11 and changeover switch 12. Under the effect of heat, they fill up the free spaces and block the movement of the affected parts. The door opener is thus additionally secured against opening. Figure 2B depicts expanded intumescent material 18 in the upper region of the door opener; the intumescent material 17 in the lower region of the door opener expands in a similar manner (not depicted for clarity).